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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to provide an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 A & B with the Information Disclosure Statement of September 7, 2000. A copy of all Information Disclosure Statement material filed September 7, 2000 with the date stamped filing receipt is attached. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to initial the Form PTO/SB/08 A & B and return same to the undersigned.

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem relevant to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (1) no later than three months from the application's filing date or (2) before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later), and therefore no certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit the following explanations:

An English language abstract of JPA 10-256094 is submitted herewith as a concise statement of relevance.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicants do not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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